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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (amended) A raised floor access panel, comprising:

(a) a substantially flat <u>floor</u> panel having an upper load supporting surface and a

lower surface to be supported on a plurality of pedestal support members each adjacent to a

corner of the floor panel; and

(b) at least one panel lifter <u>handle</u> having a top wall and two side walls, the side walls

slidably extending through a first and second slots in a plate rigidly attached to the lower surface

of the floor panel for vertical travel of the panel lifter handle top wall and side walls upwardly,

through a generally rectangular <u>floor</u> panel recess <u>for removing the floor panel from the pedestal</u>

support members.

Claim 2 (withdrawn) The raised floor access panel according to Claim 1 further,

comprising an adjustable panel leveler threaded through a hole in each corner of the floor panel

for adjusting the upper surface to be plainer with the raised floor.

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (canceled).

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Claim 6 (withdrawn) A raised floor access panel, comprising a substantially flat panel

having an upper load supporting surface and a lower surface to be supported on a plurality of

pedestal members each adjacent to a corner of the panel and a panel leveler threaded through a

hole in each corner of the panel for adjusting a distance between the panel and the pedestal

members.

Claim 7 (new) A raised floor access panel, comprising:

(a) a substantially flat floor panel having an upper load supporting surface and a

lower surface to be supported on a plurality of pedestal support members each adjacent to a

corner of the floor panel;

(b) at least one panel lifter handle having a top wall and two side walls, the side walls

slidably extending through a first and second slots in a plate rigidly attached to the lower surface

of the floor panel for vertical travel of the panel lifter handle top wall and side walls upwardly,

through a generally rectangular floor panel recess for removing the floor panel from the pedestal

support members; and

(c) an angle bracket extending downwardly from an underside of the plate and an

adjustable corner lock pivotally mounted on the bracket, the corner lock on a lever arm actuated

by a side wall of the panel lifter handle to forcefully bias the panel against the pedestal.

Claim 8 (new) The raised floor access panel according to Claim 7 further, comprising a

lock mounted in the top wall of the panel lifter handle and extending through a hole in the plate

for securing the corner lock against the pedestals.

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Claim 9 (new) The raised floor access panel according to Claim 7 further, comprising a panel lock mounted through a hole in the plate, a hole circumscribing the lock in the top wall of the panel lifter handle, and a latch attached to the top wall of the panel lifter handle and extending through a third slot in the plate for securing the panel corner lock against the pedestal members.